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Applicant: Bessette et al

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Serial No. 10/023,145

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Art Unit: 1617

Filed: December 18, 2001

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Examiner: Shahnam J. Sharareh

For: PESTICIDAL ACTIVITY OF PLANT
ESSENTIAL OILS AND THEIR
CONSTITUENTS

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ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

To the Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 2327
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 26, 2003, applicant hereby elects:

Group I
Claims 1-10

REMARKS

The Examiner has requested election and restriction between Group I, namely claims 1-10 and Group II, namely claims 11-21. Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the claims of Group I and reserves the right to file a divisional application or take such other appropriate measures as deemed necessary to protect the invention of Group II.

Serial No. 10/023,145
Docket No. 21409-PA-CIP

Upon examination of the application on this basis, a favorable consideration and allowance of these claims is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

April 16, 2003
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